

NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: PC 187 - MURDER

Occurred: Sunday, May 25, 1218 AM

Location: Cedar & Randall, Fontana, Ca.

Victim: GARCIA, Gabriel HMA, 19 yrs., Mira Loma, Ca.

Suspects: Three Hispanic bald headed male's in a gray Nissan Altima.

Shortly after midnight, officers from the Rialto Police Department and the Sheriff's Fontana Station responded to an emergency 911 telephone call regarding a shooting victim at an apartment complex located in the 200 block of N. Beechwood in the City of Rialto. When the officers arrived, they discovered 19 year-old Gabriel Garcia dead from a gunshot wound to the head.

The ensuing investigation revealed that Garcia was shot and killed while he was a passenger in a vehicle being driven by his brother. Garcia and his brother were traveling north on Cedar at Randall in Fontana when they were fired upon by the occupants of a 1990's model gray Nissan Altima. The suspect's were described as three Hispanic males with shaved heads. After the shooting, Garcia's brother drove him to his apartment in Rialto. The suspect's fled in the Nissan Altima westbound on Randall from Cedar.

A Sheriff's Homicide Team was summoned to the scene to investigate the circumstances surrounding this incident. Investigators are currently trying to locate anyone who may have knowledge of the suspect's, their vehicle or whereabouts. Anyone with information regarding this crime is urged to contact Detective Scott Schultz of the Sheriff's Homicide Detail. Callers may remain anonymous.

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